

a corporation organized under the Laws of Florida to construct and maintain a toll bridge across the Escambia river and adjacent waters at or near Ferry Pass, and to regulate rates of toll to be charged by said corporation, its successors and assigns for passage over such bridge.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Mr. Mathis moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendments offered by himself to Senate Bill No. 144 were adopted.

Which motion went over under the rules.

Mr. Davis moved to adjourn to ten o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to ten o'clock A. M. Wednesday, April 25, 1917.

Wednesday, April 25, 1917.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to the names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornton, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of April 24 was corrected and approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Plympton, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 182:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 2758, 2759 and 2760 of the General Statutes of Florida as amended by Chapter 6847 of the Acts of 1915, the same having reference to the organization, management, control and operation of life and fire insurance companies and their agents in the State of Florida, and making an appropriation for carrying out the provision thereof.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

M. L. PLYMPTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 182, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 147:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes due incorporated towns and cities whose charters provide that the same shall be collected by suit."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 103:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt all farm, dairy and grove products from all forms of license tax."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 298:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the redemption of lands sold for non-payment of taxes in this State and the cancellation of certificates issued to and held by the State of Florida upon such sales upon the payment of the face of such certificates with interest thereon from date of issuance at the rate of six (6) per cent per annum until payment is made."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do not pass.

Very respectfully,

JNO. B. JONES,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 147, 103 and 298, contained in the above report, were placed on the table under the rule.

Mr. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 41:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act creating a State fire insurance fund, and authorizing the Board of Commissioners of State institutions to insure all property of the State in such fund and directing the State Treasurer to keep a record of all matters necessary for carrying out the provisions of this bill."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 293:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to amend section 800 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by chapter 6473, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, relating to the duties of tax collectors and trustees of county bonds with reference to moneey collected for the purpose of paying interest or for a sinking fund."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 301:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to amend sections 33, 34 and 41 of chapter 5596, Acts 1907, the same being: 'An Act relating to tax assessments and collection of revenue.'"

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

JNO. B. JONES,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 41, 293 and 301, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 50:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to back taxes, tax liens and tax sale certificates; providing for the payment, cancellation and surrender thereof and fixing the interest to be collected thereon in lieu of existing interest penalties and costs.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend its passage with the following amendment:

In Section 1, line 4, after the words "per annum" insert the following: "From the day that this Act takes effect."

Very respectfully,

JOHN B. JONES,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 50, with Committee Amendment, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 273:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require retain title notes and deeds to be recorded in order to be valid or ef-

fectual against creditors or subsequent purchasers without notice.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend its passage with the following amendment:

In Section 1, line 9, strike out all after the word "provided," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "That the provisions hereof shall not apply to sales of \$25.00 or less."

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 273, with Committee Amendment, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 207:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1831 and Section 1832 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida."

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass with the following amendments:

1. Amend the title by adding thereto the following words: "relating to the duties of clerks of Circuits Courts, with reference to the keeping of certain records and dockets."

2. In Section 1, line 5 and 6, strike out the words: "or vacation, in action at law."

3. In Section 1, line 9, insert after the word "common" the word "law."

4. In Section 2 add the following paragraph immediately after the paragraph under the heading of "Record of Deeds," to-wit: "A record of mortgage on real or personal property and powers of attorney embracing a power

to execute mortgages which may be in form entitled to record."

5. In Section 2 strike out lines 34 and 35.

6. Strike out all of Section 4.

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 207, with the Committee Amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 197:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the determination of cases by the Supreme Court of State of Florida.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendment:

In Section 1, line 5, after the word "parties" insert the following "and the same are shown by the pleadings therein."

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 197, with the Committee Amendment, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. John B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir—

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 226:

A Bill to be entitled An Act granting to courts of chancery in this State jurisdiction to enjoin and suppress all nuisances which tend to annoy the community, or injure the health of the citizens in general, or to corrupt public morals, or is manifestly injurious to the public health, safety and morals of the community; to enjoin and suppress all nuisances mentioned in Section 3680 of the General Statutes of Florida, and all places frequented by persons described in and mentioned in Section 3570 of the General Statutes of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5720 of the Acts of 1907, Laws of Florida, and to enjoin all places, houses, tents, booth, in which the laws of the State of Florida are violated and all houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution and places where games of chance are engaged in, in violation of law, and declaring all such places to be nuisances; to enjoin the person or persons who conduct or maintain the same, and the owner and agent of any building used for such purpose and to provide for the payment of costs of such proceedings and declaring a lien for such costs.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendment:

In Section 4, line 9, after "nuisance" add "provided no lien shall attach to the real estate and buildings of any other than the occupant unless 5 days written notice shall have been given to the owner or his agent, who shall fail to abate said nuisance within said 5 days."

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 226, contained in the above report, with the Committee amendment, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. John B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir—

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 294:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing, empowering and permitting State attorneys to amend indictments returned by grand juries.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 285:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring the Boards of County Commissioners in the State of Florida, to provide all necessary office supplies, typewriters and adding machines with which to carry on the business of the different county offices.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 278:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the payment of attorney's fees in cases where the judge of the Circuit Court appoints attorneys to defend cases of felony.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 294, 285 and 278, contained in the above report, were placed on the table under the Rules.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 117.)

An Act to provide for and to authorize leaves of absence to state and county officials for service in the army of the United States.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 259.)

An Act to validate the ordinance of town of Rockledge, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 48.)

An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 6937 of the laws of Florida, approved June 3, 1915, entitled "An Act providing for the creation of Okaloosa county, in the State of Florida, and for the organization and government thereof."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 196.)

An Act to legalize and validate the proceedings of the town of Davenport in relation to the issuing of bonds in the sum thirty-five hundred dollars for building sidewalks and other municipal improvements.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 288.)

An Act making an emergency appropriation for the care and maintenance of the inmates of the several state institutions of this state.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 43.)

An Act to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Upper St. Johns Drainage District to borrow money for the payment of outstanding warrants and operation expenses.

Also—

(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9.)

Relative to the drainage of Everglades.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 117.)

An Act to provide for and to authorize leaves of absence to State and county officials for service in the army of United States.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 259.)

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An Act to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Upper St. Johns Drainage District to borrow money for the payment of outstanding warrants and operation expenses

Also—

(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9.)

Relative to the drainage of Everglades.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred:

Senate Bill No. 210:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend section 22, Chapter 6421, Acts 1913, the same being "An Act imposing licenses and other taxes, providing for the payment thereof, and proscribing penalties for doing business without a license, or other failure to comply with the provisions thereof."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

JNO. B. JONES,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 210, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Mathis—

Senate Bill No. 325:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix the minimum length of the term of schools in the State of Florida, and to regulate the apportionment to the counties of the interest on the State school fund and the special State tax levied for the support and maintenance of the public schools of the State.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Plympton—

Senate Bill No. 326:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to grant an increase in the pension of L. W. Edwards.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. Roland—

Senate Bill No. 327:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 6692 of the Laws of the State of Florida, entitled "An Act affecting the government of the city of Gainesville, and conferring additional jurisdiction, powers and duties on said city, and creating certain offices."

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading.

By Mr. Roland—

Senate Bill No. 328:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to ratify and validate certain past indebtedness of Alachua County, Florida, and to ratify and validate certain indebtedness now existing against said county.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Willis—

Senate Bill No. 329:

A Bill to be entitled An Act permitting legates, dis-

tributees and heirs at law of deceased persons to obtain accounting and distribution in chancery against executors and administrators; and permitting legatees, distributees and heirs at law, or the executors, administrators and guardians to obtain accounting and distribution from third persons for any property of the decedent, and providing for the allowance of costs and solicitors' fees in such cases.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Baker—

Senate Bill No. 330:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the use of seines, haul or drag nets for catching fish in fresh waters, rivers, creeks, etc., of Clay and St. Johns Counties, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Terrell—

Senate Bill No. 331:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 6540, Acts of 1913, the same being entitled An Act to enable Normal School and College graduates to teach and acquire certificates in this State.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Terrell—

Senate Bill No. 332:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to encourage and aid students attending the University of Florida and the Florida State College for Women; prescribing the manner in which and to whom such aid shall be given, and to make appropriations for the same.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Alexander—

Senate Bill No. 333:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the settlement, registration, transfer and assurance of titles to

land, and designate courts of land registration, with jurisdiction for said purposes.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

CONSIDERATION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 15:

Relative to the waterways of this State.

Was taken up in its order and was read the second time.

The question was put and the Senate adopted the Resolution.

And the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 68:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for monthly payments of pensions; to make regulations therefor; and to prescribe penalties in connection therewith.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Mr. Middleton moved to waive the rules and place House Bill No. 68 on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.
And the Bill was so placed.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 229:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 46, Chapter 6458 of the Legislature of 1913, being "An Act relating to the creation, organization and maintenance of drainage districts for the purpose of reclaiming and protecting swamp, wet or overflowed lands, or lands subject to overflow from the effects of water for sanitary or agricultural purposes, or when the same may be conducive to the public health, convenience or welfare, or of public utility or benefit by drainage or otherwise; to define the privileges, powers, duties and liabilities of such drainage districts, the officers and agents thereof; to provide for the levying of taxes upon the property in said drainage districts, the officers and agents thereof; to provide for the levying of taxes upon the property in said drainage districts; authorizing the issuance of bonds by such drainage districts, and giving to said drainage districts full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the State thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

And House Bill No. 229, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Drainage.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 127:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to add to the Internal Improvement Fund lands of the State of Florida, certain lands and accretions and sand bars and banks in the tidal waters of the County of Pinellas; to provide for the disposition of same by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and regulate the use and improvement of same.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 127, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 414:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the creation of Turnbull County in the State of Florida, and for the organization and government thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 414, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on County Organization.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 16:

Relative to invitation to Mr. S. J. Peters to address the Florida Legislature.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 16, contained in the above message, was read the first time and its consideration was laid over under the rules.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Mathis moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 144:

"Line 8 of Title after 'all' add 'high.'"

Mr. Mathis moved that the rule be waived and that the Senate do now take up for consideration the motion just made to reconsider.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

The reconsideration of the vote by which the amendment offered by Mr. Mathis to Senate Bill No. 144, was adopted, was placed before the Senate.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered its action in adopting the amendment.

By consent, Mr. Mathis withdrew the amendment.

Mr. Mathis moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 144:

"In Section 1, line 9, strike out the word 'their,' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'high.'"

Mr. Mathis moved to waive the rule and that the Senate do now take up for consideration the motion just made to reconsider.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

The reconsideration of the vote by which the above amendment was adopted, was placed before the Senate.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered its action in adopting the amendment.

By consent, Mr. Mathis withdrew the amendment.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rule be waived and that Senate Bill No. 144 be withdrawn from the Committee on Engrossed Bills and be placed back on Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading for amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 144 was recalled from said Committee and placed upon the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Senate Bill No. 35 was taken up in its order and its consideration was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 235:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prescribing the duties of the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Florida.

Was taken up in its order and read in full for information:

Mr. Moore, of Third District, offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 235:

In Section 2, strike out the words "The Board of Commissioners of State institutions are hereby authorized to employ upon recommendation of Commissioner of Agriculture such assistants as he may deem necessary" and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"The Governor shall appoint the chief deputy or assistant and such other assistants as he may deem necessary."

Mr. Moore moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. MacWilliams to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 235.

Which was not agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 235, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 203:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the sale, service or dispensing of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer by clubs or other associations of persons whether incorporated or not incorporated.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 203, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—39.

Nays—Mr. Jones—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 199:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections Two, Three, Eight, and Eleven, Chapter 6932, entitled "An Act

providing for the abolishing of County Treasurer; providing for the creation and establishment of County Depositories in and for the several counties of the State of Florida; providing for the receiving, keeping, care of and custody, and paying out of all county school funds, and of all funds under care and control of Boards of County Commissioners, and for the security of such funds," being Chapter 6932 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 3rd, 1915.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Bill No. 199, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornto, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Sheppard, Terrell, Wells, Wilson—22.

Nays—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Farris, Greene, Oliver, Roland, Turner, Willis—9.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Alexander offered the following explanation of his vote on Senate Bill No. 199:

I am in favor of all public moneys collected in Volusia County be deposited in Volusia County Banks, and am opposed to the public moneys of Volusia County being deposited in banks outside of Volusia County.

The hour of eleven o'clock A. M., the hour set apart for the consideration of Senate Bills Nos. 173 and 78, having arrived—

Mr. Carlton moved to waive the rule and that consideration of these Bills be deferred, and that they be made a special order for consideration at 11 o'clock Thursday, April 26.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote

And it was so ordered.

Mr. Carlton moved to waive the rule and that the Senate do now take up Senate Bill No. 144 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-third vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 144:

A Bill to be entitled An act authorizing County Board of Public Instruction to adopt all school books other than the regular basal elementary school books provided for by the State Uniform Text-book Law, from

a list issued by the State Board of Education; and to purchase all school books, and sell, rent or furnish them free to pupils; to require publishers to file sample copies of all school books to be sold in the State with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction; to require publishers to sell school books to public authorities in this State at the lowest net wholesale prices given anywhere in the United States; to require publishers to give bond to the State; to provide punishment and penalties for the violation of this Act; and for other purposes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carleton moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following amendment:

Add the following new Section 16, making Section 16 and 17 read 17 and 18: "The school books, as provided in Section 1, shall be rented or furnished free only when the County rents or furnishes free the books of all grades."

Mr. Carlton moved to waive the rule and that the Senate do now take up and consider the motion to reconsider.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The question to reconsider was put and the Senate reconsidered its action in adopting the amendment.

By consent, Mr. Carlton withdrew the amendment.

Mr. Carlton moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 144:

"Add to Section 1 the following: 'Provided, this law shall not be effective as to the rental or furnishing free books until the same shall have been first submitted to the electors of such county at any election called for that purpose, and majority voting shall declare in its favor.'"

Mr. Carlton moved to waive the rule and that the Senate do now take up and consider the motion to reconsider.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the motion to reconsider was placed before the Senate.

The question to reconsider the adoption of the amendment was put, and the Senate reconsidered its action.

By consent, Mr. Carlton withdrew the amendment.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 144:

Add new Section making Section 16 and 17 read 17 and 18.

Add the following:

Provided, that this Act shall not permit any County Board to furnish books free until the same has been ratified by a majority of those voting at an election called for that purpose, and until books shall be furnished free to the children of all grades.

Mr. Carlton moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 144, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 83:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 2887 and 2892 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, and to amend Sections 2893 and 2908 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6527 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, relating to the Railroad Commission and the regulation of common carriers.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 83, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—32.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Carlton—

Senate Bill No. 26:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend chapter 5892 of the Laws of 1909 relative to issuing execution against stockholders of corporations.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 26, the vote was:
Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gorn-to, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—29.
Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.
And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 204:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the return days of writs of garnishment, and when defaults for failure to answer may be entered, and scire facias on defaults be issued, and when returnable.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

By unanimous consent, upon the request of Mr. Davis, Senate Bill No. 204 was placed back on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 204:

In section one, line 2, strike out the word "ten" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Fifteen."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 204:

In section 2, line 3, strike out the word "there" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Ten."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 204, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 217:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2774 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the recovery of attorney's fees in insurance cases.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 217, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators, Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris,

Fogarty, Gorn-to, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

The consideration of Senate Bill No. 216 upon its third reading was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 214:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 4046 of the General Statutes of 1906 of Florida, relative to serving notice of the suing out of writs of error in criminal cases.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 214, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gorn-to, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 260:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3540 (2620), Article 9, General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to obscene prints, pictures and literature.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 260, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gorn-to, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 202:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to define riparian rights in relation to lands on Biscayne Bay and to declare the rights of owners of riparian rights on Biscayne Bay, said lands possessed of riparian rights.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 202, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—Senator Igou—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 244:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring immigrant agents doing business in this State to procure a county license, fixing the amount thereof and prescribing a penalty for doing business without such license.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 244, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hughlett moved to waive the rule and that Senate Bill No. 202 be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-third vote.

And it was so ordered.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bills Nos. 236, 84, 172, 205, 206 and 261 were each taken up in their respective order and the consideration of them temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 154:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the time for holding the terms of Circuit Court in and for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 154 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

House Bill No. 37 was taken up and consideration was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 224:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for uniform courses of study for the elementary and high schools of the State of Florida, to create a Commission to prepare such courses of study, to provide for their adoption and enforcement, and to make appropriations therefor.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 224 was, under the rule, referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 111:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend section 353, article 2, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida of 1906.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 111 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 45 was taken up and its consideration was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Wells moved that Senate Bills Nos. 183 and 89 be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Which was agreed to.

By consent—

Mr. Davis called up for consideration Senate Bills Nos. 205 and 206, which had been informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 205:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating writs of garnishment by providing for the payment of costs of garnishee before answering, the manner of depositing such

costs and prescribing the form of the writ relating thereto.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Senate Bill No. 205:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating writs of garnishment by providing for the payment of costs of garnishee before answering, the manner of depositing such costs and prescribing the form of the writ relating thereto.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

The following amendment of the Committee on Judiciary A was read, as follows:

) Strike out all of Section 1 after the words "Shall be" in line 5.

And insert in lieu thereof the following: Five dollars if out of a County Court, Civil Court of Record, County Judges or Justice of the Peace Court, three dollars.

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 205, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 206:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1454 of the General Statutes of Florida, relating to swearing to pleas.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 206 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 189:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 290 of General Statutes of Florida, relating to the meeting of electors and filling vacancies.

Was taken up, and read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered Senate Bill No. 189 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 190:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3299 of General Statutes of Florida relating to horse and cattle stealing.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered Senate Bill No. 190 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 171:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to render women eligible for election or appointment to certain offices in the State of Florida.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

The following title of the Substitute offered by the Committee on Judiciary B was read, as follows:

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 171:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to render women eligible for election or appointment to certain offices in the State of Florida.

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the Committee Substitute in lieu of the original.

Which was agreed to.

And the Committee Substitute was adopted and took the place of the original Bill.

The further consideration of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 171 was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 140:

A Bill to be entitled An Act forbidding insurance companies or associations and bonding companies, lawfully doing business in the State of Florida from requesting or permitting their agents in this State to divide or offer to divide their commissions except as allowed by this Act, and fixing penalties for the violation of this Act.

Was taken up, and read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 140 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 170:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 6908, being An Act entitled An Act amending Section 1406 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to service of process upon corporations.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 170 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Alexander moved that Senate Bill No. 109 be taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was so referred.

Mr. Terrell moved that the vote by which House Bill No. 244, as amended, passed the Senate, be reconsidered.

Mr. Terrell moved to waive the rules and that the Senate do now take up and consider the motion just made to reconsider.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

The motion to reconsider was placed before the Senate.

The question upon the reconsideration of the vote was put and the Senate reconsidered its vote.

Mr. Terrell moved to waive the rules and put House Bill No. 244 back on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Bill took its place on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

By consent Mr. Terrell called up—

House Bill No. 244:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring immigrant agents doing business in this State to procure a county license, fixing the amount thereof and prescribing a penalty for doing business without such license.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 244:

Strike out the word "immigrant" wherever it appears in the title and body of the Bill and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Emigrant."

Mr. Terrell moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 244:

In section 2, line 4, strike out the words "five thousand dollars (\$5,000)," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Two thousand dollars (\$2,000)."

Mr. Terrell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to House Bill No 244:

Strike out all of Section 3 and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Section 3. The term 'emigrant agent' as used in this Act shall apply to any person, agent, solicitor or recruiter engaged in the business of hiring, enticing or soliciting laborers or emigrants in this State to be transported and employed beyond the limits of the State.

Mr. Terrell moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 244:

Strike out all of Section 4 and insert in lieu thereof the following: Section 4. "Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or by imprisonment in the county jail not more than twelve months, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court."

Mr. Terrell moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 244:

Strike out all of Section 6 and insert in lieu thereof the following: Section 6. This Act shall take effect on its passage and become a law.

Mr. Terrell moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate amendment to House Bill No. 244 was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Fogarty moved to waive the rules and that the Senate do now take up Senate Bill No. 45 and consider the same.

Which was agreed to by a two-third vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 45:

A Bill to be entitled An Act creating an additional Judicial Circuit in the State of Florida, to be designated the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit and to create the Circuit Court thereof, and providing for a Circuit Judge and State Attorney in said Circuit, and defining and fixing the territorial limits and boundaries of the Sev-

enth, Eleventh and Fifteen Judicial Circuits, and providing and fixing the time for holding the terms of the Circuit Court in said Judicial Circuits, and prescribing the effect on pending cases in said Circuit.

Was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Fogarty offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 45:

Strike out Section 3 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 3. The Eleventh Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida heretofore composed of the Counties of Monroe, Dade, Broward and Palm Beach, shall be composed of the Counties of Monroe and Dade.

There shall be three regular terms of the Circuit Court held in each County in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit each year to be known as the Spring, Fall and Winter terms.

The Fall Term of the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit shall commence in the County of Monroe on the Second Tuesday of October, and the County of Dade on the Second Tuesday of November.

The Winter Term of the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit shall commence in the County of Monroe on the Second Tuesday in January, and the County of Dade on the Second Tuesday in February.

The Spring Term of said Court shall commence in the County of Monroe on the Second Tuesday of April and the County of Dade on the Second Tuesday of May.

Mr. Fogarty moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 45, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Hughlett moved that Senate Bill No. 74 be made a special order for consideration tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

And it was so ordered.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do now adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Mr. Oliver moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

The motion to adjourn was not agreed to.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. Wells to adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Which motion was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow, Thursday, April 26, 1917.

Thursday, April 26, 1917.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Gorn-to, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEach-ern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Wil-lis, Wilson—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal of April 25 was corrected.

The Journal of April 25, as corrected, was approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was re-ferred—

Senate Bill No. 38:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the creation of Flagler County, in the State of Florida, and for the organization and government thereof.

Have examined the same and find it correctly en-grossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 38, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.